

19, that the two are related, not two distinct pictures

And it ties in together with Isa. 11, says these two are talking about the same thing. Now what is that thing that they are talking about? Is that thing that which is now going on, that which is now going on in this age through the preaching of the Gospel, slaying the wicked, meaning ~~the~~ converting the wicked and making them righteous. Is that what it means? Well, as I say, I can't understand how people could comment on either of these passages and not use a concordance, and if they use a concordance I would think it would have very quickly led them to 2 Thess. because there in 2 Thess. Paul refers to the same figure and it is very clear from his language that he is referring to a specific thing. Paul says that, let's see, yes, in ^{2 Thess.} ~~Rev.~~ 2.7, 8, Paul says, for the mystery of iniquity doth already work, only he who now hinders will hinder until he be taken out of the way, and then, that is when he who now hinders is taken out of the way, well, whatever it means it is subsequent to when Paul writes, then, he says, shall that wicked one be revealed. The Old English just says that wicked, but it means that wicked one, of course. You wouldn't say that wicked, if you meant that wicked, well, you might say that wicked army, mightn't you? But I think it clearly means that wicked individual. Then shall that wicked be revealed. What wicked? That wicked one whom the Lord shall consume with the spirit of His mouth and shall destroy with the brightness of His coming. Well, now there is the same figure exactly. Whom the Lord shall consume with the spirit, of His mouth. And Isaiah says that with the breath of His lips shall He slay the wicked, to smite the earth with the rod of his mouth. Now the word breath and spirit is the same word, it can be translated either way and it seems sort of too bad they translate it breath in the Hebrew and spirit in Thessalonians but either the Hebrew or the Greek could be translated either way, and whichever it is, breath or spirit, it's that which comes out of His mouth. I think personally breath makes much better sense than spirit. But the same word could be translated either way, and in both you have an exact parallel of the two passages,